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CHESTER MONTHLY MEETING

MINUTES, 1864-1866

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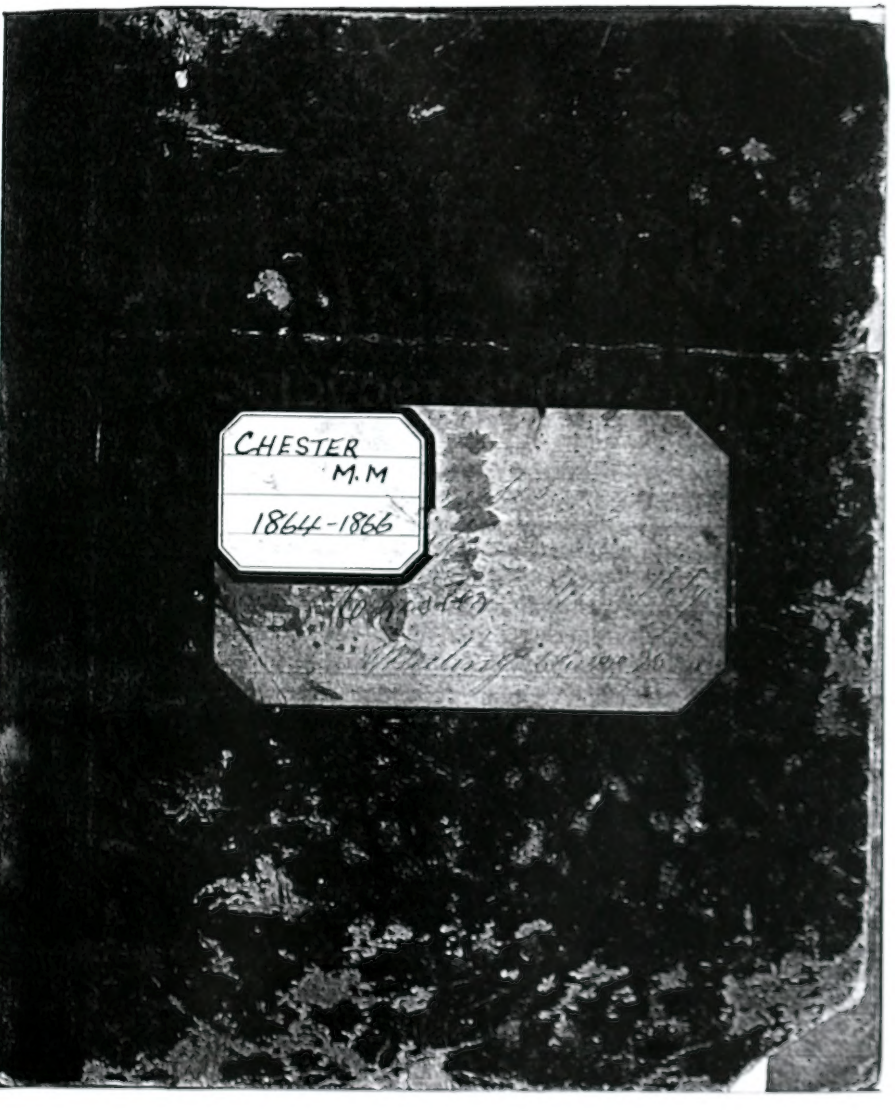
CHESTER
M.M
1864-1866

1st Enter our minute of appointment by the Mo Meeting.
2 Record the regulations concerning libraries books and tracts adopted by the Yearly meeting for our future government.
3rd minutes of last meeting

Business for next meeting
Appoint a committee to examine the libraries, see what books need rebinding and repairing, and report how to get the monthly meeting to raise money by subscription or apportionment to pay the expense, and enable the committee to enlarge the libraries by procuring new books, &c. Also to enter
To get the monthly meeting to enter into subscription for the purchase of tracts
Appoint a committee to prepare lists of the books in the libraries

Chester Mo. Mo. Meeting of Sufferings
2 Mo. 1864

The friends ~~appointed~~ continued at last meeting and those appointed in addition thereto in Isaac Stanley case report that they have attended thereto and they find nothing to obstruct and they having reproduced the certificate which was prepared at last meeting it was approved and signed and directed to the care of the correspondent to be forwarded

By an extract of minute received from the Quarterly Meeting dated 6th Mo 9th 1864 this Meeting is directed to raise its proportion of $150 Dollars to augment the Quarterly Meeting Stock to pay it over to Edwards Wharton Treasurer and report to next Quarterly Meeting. That preparative Meetings are directed to raise their respective proportions & Report to this Meeting's proportion of the above named sum report to the 8th Mo next. Thereto is so directed to forward this Preparative meeting's proportion of this minute

Our beloved friend Benjamin Fulghum a minister in the course of a religious visit acceptably attended this meeting and produced the necessary credentials from the Monthly Meeting of which he is a member

Our beloved friend Ann Marmon a minister in the course of a religious visit acceptably attended this meeting and produced the necessary credentials from the monthly Meeting of which she is a member

also our friend Harmon Hill and Mary his wife comparing to our friend Ann Marmon acceptably attended this meeting and produced a minute from a committe appointed by the Monthly meeting of which they are members

The meeting then Concluded

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held
7th Mo 21st 1864

Our esteemed friend Sabina Dike a minister
in the course of a religious visit acceptably
attended this Meeting and produced the necessa
credentials from Deer Garden Pre Meeting of
Friends

Isaac Pedan and David Sibbe are appoin
to see if each family of friends is furnish
with a copy of the Holy Scriptures and report
to next meeting

The Meeting then concluded

Chester 8th Mo Meeting of Friends held
8th Mo 25th 1864

The Queries were all read in this Meeting
and answers in writing from the respective
Preparative Meetings were taken and
directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly

Quarterly Meeting by Isaiah Bransom
Isaac Mott & Joshua Crampton and
David Little whom was appointed representatives therein and who are directed
to report to next meeting

The friends appointed at last Meeting to see
if each family of Friends is furnished
with a copy of the Holy scriptures report
that they are all furnished

The preparative Meetings report that the
money directed to be raised in in the 6th Mo
last to augment the Quarterly Meeting
stock is in readiness; it is directed in to the
hands of Isaiah Bransom who is to for-
ward and pay it over agreeably to the requi
sitions of the Quarterly Meeting

A certificat of the rights of membership
for Jonathan Stubbs and family from
Hertford Monthly Meeting dated 3rd Mo
26th 1864 was read and accepted

The Meeting is informed that the wife of Jonathan Stubbs has deceased since the date of the certificate

Joshua Jeffris and Isaac Emmons are appointed in connection with Women Friends to visit them on the reception of the same, and report to next Meeting

The Clerk is directed to inform Milford Mo. Meeting of the reception of the foregoing certificate

The meeting then concluded

Chester Mo. Meeting to proceed 9th Mo. 22nd 1864

Second Business on Liberty of the representatives reports from the Quarterly Meeting

The joint committee of men and women Friends appointed at

last Meeting to visit Jonathan Stubbs and family and the reception of their certificate report that they have attended to the the appointment to good satisfaction

The friend ~~appointed~~ appointed to receive any proportion of money over this Meetings proportion of money to augment the Quarterly meeting stock reports that it has been attended to

David Little and Solomon Bond are appointed to solicit subscriptions to aid the book and tract committe and report to next Meeting the amount raised

The Meeting is concluded

Chester Mo. Meeting of friends 10th Mo. 20th 1864

The friends appointed at last Meeting to solicit subscriptions to aid the book and Tract committe report that they received $ 18 dollas which has been paid over as directed

A communication is received from Salem [illegible]
Meeting Iowa informing us that William Futrell
who was formally disowned by this Meeting has
requested to be joined in membership with
friends and that they are satisfied to receive him
provided this Meeting consents thereto which being
duly considered, the Meeting is willing that he be
received and leaves them at liberty to proceed
accordingly. The clerk is directed to furn-
ish [illegible] that Meeting with a suitable extract from
this Minute.

The Meeting then concluded

Chester Mo. Meeting of Friends held 11th mo. 24th 1864

The Clerk not being present Israel Woodruff is appointed Clerk for the day

By an extract from the minutes of White water preparative meeting of Ministers and Elders this meeting is informed that the 2d Meeting of Ministers & Elders unites with that meeting in proposing that Rachel Jeffers be appointed to the Station of an Elder which being united with by this and Western meeting she is appointed accordingly. The clerk is directed to furnish that meeting with an extract of this minute

Isaac Stanton Jacob L Hampton Isaac Commons and John Addington are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting as representatives and report their case with what may be given them in charge to next meeting.

Our esteemed friend David H Bennett a Minister in the course of a religious visit acceptably attended this meeting with proper credentials from Butler Mo. Meeting of Friends endorsed by Butler mo. 2d Meeting

The meeting then concluded

Chester Mo. Meeting of Friends 12 mo 26th 1866

The representatives report they all attended the Quarterly Meeting and have produced to this Meeting its proportion of the Minutes of one each yearly with also of the London general Epistle the distribution thereof between the Preparative Meetings and their members is referred to the care of the representatives The reading of the London General Epistle is referred to next meeting

The Meeting then Adjourned

Chester Mo. Meeting of Friends held 12 mo 27 1866

The Clerk being absent Joshua Iddings was appointed clerk for the day

By an extract of a minute from the Quarterly Meeting as directed to raise $ 53.31 for this institution Yearly Meeting Stock and whilst Iowa manual labor institute and pay it over to Joseph Dickinson treasurer and report at next meeting

Correspondents

For Cesar's Creek Mo Meeting Benjamin Farquhar. Address New Burlington Clinton Ohio

For Dover Mo Meeting Indiana, Pleasant Unthank. Address Webster Wayne County Indiana

For White river Mo Meeting Elisha S Cox Address Harrisville Randolph County Indiana

For Spiceland Mo Meeting Caleb Johnson Address Coffins Station Henry County Indiana

For Duck Creek Mo Meeting Phineas Ratliffe Address Greensboro, Henry County Indiana

For Back Creek Mo Meeting

Jesse Wilson address changed to Fairmount Post office Grant County Indiana

For Oak Ridge Mo Meeting Isaac Cary changed to Fairmount Grant Co Indiana

For Kansas Mo Meeting James C Wilson address Springdale Leavenworth Co Kansas

For Spring Grove Mo Meeting Kansas Chase C. James address Lone Post office Franklin Co Kansas

For Springfield Mo Meeting Kansas Jesse S Rogers address Eudora Douglas Co Kansas

For Hopewell Mo meeting Thomas L. White address Jeffersonville Fayette Co Indiana

For Springfield Mo Meeting Indiana

William Clark Addres Economy
Wayne Co. Indiana

For Milford Mo. Meeting Charles. H.
Moore addres Milton Wayne Co. I.a

The Meeting Then Concluded

Chester Mo. Meeting of friend 2m mo 23 65/18

The 1st 2d and 8th Queries were read in
this meeting and answers thereto in writting
from each of the preparative Meetings from
which a Summary was taken and directed
to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting
by David Little Joshua Jeffris Isaac
Commons jr and Isaac Votaw whom
we appoint our representatives therein
and who are directed to report to next
Meeting

The preparative Meetings now report

What the Money directed to be raised at last
Meeting for Yearly Meeting Stock and for
White Lowd Manuel Labour institute is in
readiness but has not been paid over, the case
is continued and Sarah Branson who now
holds the Money is directed to pay it over ac-
cordingly to the requisitions of the Quarterly meeting
and report to next meeting

A certificate of the right of membership of
Jeremiah Cox and Phebe his wife was
received from White Water Mo Meeting and
was read and accepted The Clerk is directed
to inform White Water Mo Meeting of the reception
of the foregoing certificate

A certificate of the right of membership of Samuel
Wiles was received from Union Mo Meeting
State of Ohio and was read and accepted

Also one for Melissa Esther and Rachel
E Wiles from the same monthly Meeting
which have been read and accepted

The Clerk is directed to inform Union Mo Meety of the reception of the foregoing certificates

Joshua Jeffris and Isaac Commons sen are appointed in conjunction with a like committee of womens Meeting to visit Samuel Miles and family on the reception of their certificates and report to next meeting

Isaac Commons sen requests to be released from serving as overseer Isaac Votaw and Jacob. D. Hampton are appointed to propose to next meeting the name of two friends to serve in that station

A copy of the revised discipline of the yearly of 1864 is now received and is to take effect in the transaction of business in future

The Meeting then concluded

Chester Mo. Meeting of Friends 2nd 25th 8th

The representatives report they all attended the Quarterly Meeting

This Meeting proposes to the several Monthly Meetings of our late Yearly Meeting how many is to hand Solomon Bond and James Bennett are appointed to receive and convey them to the proprietor who keeps and report next month

The friends appointed at last Meeting to pay over the Money for Yearly Meeting Stock and Wilkes Missionary Labours Institute reports it is complied with

The friends appointed at last Meeting to visit Samuel Mickle and family report that a part of the committee attended which to good satisfaction

The following named friends are appointed to correspond with a like committee of Sycamore Meeting to propose to next meeting the manner of

a suitable number of friends to constitute a committee to have the care and oversight of first-day scripture schools. Namely Israel Woodruff Joshua Jeffris and Jesse Townsend

Jacob D. Hampton David Little and Isaac Nichols are appointed to propose to next Meeting the names of a friend for clerk and one for assistant

The Meeting then Concluded

Chester Monthly Meeting of friends
4th Mo 20th 1865

The friends appointed at last Meeting to divide and distribute the revised discipline of our late Yearly Meeting report that it has been attended to

The joint committee of men and women freds appointed at last Meeting to propose to this

the names of friends to constitute a committee on first day
Scripture schools propose the following

The friends appointed at last meeting to propose to this the name of a friend for clerk and one for assistant, propose Samuel Woodruff for clerk and Isaac Comstock for assistant with whom the meeting unite and appoints them accordingly

Our esteemed friend Joshua Jeffris a Minister with whom we have family laid before this Meeting a concern to visit in the love of the gospel West Branch Quarterly and also West Branch

Monthly Meeting; which claiming the consideration of this meeting is united with and he is encouraged to pursue his prospect—

Israel Woodruff and Isaac Commons Jun.r are appointed to see that ~~a suitable friend Joshua~~ Tatum is provided with a suitable companion in his proposed visit and report to next meeting

The clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of the foregoing minute and sign it on behalf of the Meeting

A certificate of the rights of membership of Jonathan Elliott and family was received from Milford Mo. Meeting dated 3rd Mo. 25th 1865

Isaiah Brannson Jeremiah Cox and John A Addington are appointed conjunction with a like committee of women's meeting to visit them on the reception of their certificate and report to next Meeting. The Clerk is directed to inform Milford Mo. Meeting of the reception thereof

our friend Isaac Edgerton attended our last Mo. Meeting with a copy of a Minute from White Water Monthly Meeting liberating him to visit the families belonging to this Mo. Meeting

The meeting then concluded.

Whitewater Monthly Meeting held 2nd of 8th month 1838

Our esteemed friend Joshua Jeffris now returns a copy of a minute granted him at our last Meeting to visit in the love of the Gospel Westfield Monthly and Preparative Meetings with an account that he attended to the service to the satisfaction of his own mind

The 1st 2nd & 3rd Queries were read and answered in writing from the informations from which a summary report taken and directed to be forwarded to the Yearly Meeting to attend which as representatives we appoint Thomas Hambleton Joshua Jeffris Mark Cattell & Jeremiah Cox

who are to report their care with what may be given them in charge to next Meeting

The friends appt to see that Joshua Jefferis was provided with suitable company report they attended to the service

The joint committee appointed to visit Jonathan Elliott & family on the reception of their certificate report they attended to the service

A certificate was received for Thelia Williams from Bear Creek Mo Meeting dated 5th Mo. 13th 1865. The Clerk is directed to inform that Meeting of its reception

Men and Women Friends in a joint Meeting after mature deliberation are united in judgment that the time has fully come when it would be right for this meeting to again request to be attached to New Garden 2d Meeting. The clerk is directed to forward an extract of this minute to the 2d Meeting

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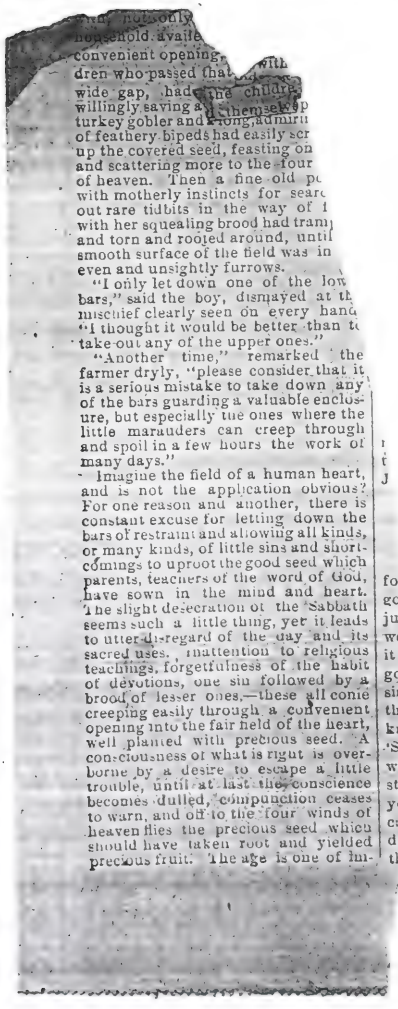

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convenient opening
dren who passed that
wide gap, had the childr
willingly saving a
turkey gobler and a long, admiri
of feathery bipeds had easily scr
up the covered seed, feasting on
and scattering more to the four
of heaven. Then a fine old pe
with motherly instincts for searc
out rare tidbits in the way of i
with her squealing brood had tramp
and torn and rooted around, until
smooth surface of the field was in
even and unsightly furrows.

"I only let down one of the low
bars," said the boy, dismayed at th
mischief clearly seen on every hand
"I thought it would be better than t
take out any of the upper ones."

"Another time," remarked the
farmer dryly, "please consider that it
is a serious mistake to take down any
of the bars guarding a valuable enclos-
ure, but especially the ones where the
little marauders can creep through
and spoil in a few hours the work of
many days."

Imagine the field of a human heart,
and is not the application obvious?
For one reason and another, there is
constant excuse for letting down the
bars of restraint and allowing all kinds,
or many kinds, of little sins and short-
comings to uproot the good seed which
parents, teachers of the word of God,
have sown in the mind and heart.
The slight desecration of the Sabbath
seems such a little thing, yet it leads
to utter disregard of the day and its
sacred uses. Inattention to religious
teachings, forgetfulness of the habit
of devotions, one sin followed by a
brood of lesser ones,—these all come
creeping easily through a convenient
opening into the fair field of the heart,
well planted with precious seed. A
consciousness of what is right is over-
borne by a desire to escape a little
trouble, until at last the conscience
becomes dulled, compunction ceases
to warn, and off to the four winds of
heaven flies the precious seed which
should have taken root and yielded
precious fruit. The age is one of im-

Elias Osborn Friend Daniel
Williams a minister in the exercise of a
religious visit acceptably attended this meeting
with proper Credentials from that Quarterly
Meeting dated 2nd Month 11th 1765

The meeting this day

Chester Monthly Meeting held
at Providence 23rd of 4th Month 1765

A Certificate was received for
James Pemberton and his minor daughter Hannah
from Hallock Mo. Meeting dated 2nd Month
13th 1765

Isaac Commons David Lloyd
& Isaac Wardell were appointed on commission with women friends to confer with a
Committee appointed by the Hallock Meeting in regard
to the appointment of Elders and report
at the next Meeting

Nelson Randall Request a
Certificate to Great Creek Mo. Meeting in
order to accomplish his marriage with

Martha Wessner a member of that Meeting.
Isaiah Branson and John Addington
are appt to make the necessary inquiry and
if no obstruction appears prepare one for him
and produce it to next meeting.

We have at this time the acceptable company of Jehu Jessup who is in the service of the Ministry with proper Credentials from Dover Monthly Meeting dated 6mo 21st 1865.

The meeting then Concluded

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held 7th Mo 20th 1865.

The friends appointed to prepare (if way should open for it) a certificate for Wilson Kendall produced one which was read approved & signed

Jeremiah Cox, James Wicks, James P Bunch & John Addington, are appointed to see if each family of friends within our limits are furnished with a copy of the Holy Scriptures, and whether a portion is read each day in the

family as recommended by the Yearly Meeting
and report to next Meeting.

A committee appointed by this
meeting to visit the Monthly Meetings and confer
with committees appointed by them
in regard to the appointment of Elders have
accepted and report as follows.

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends
held 6th month 24th 1865

The committee appointed to confer
confer with the Monthly Meetings committees
on the appointment of Elders report that the
joint committee recommend that Richard
Pennell, Sarah Pennell, Mary Lukens and
Rachel Jeffris be continued as Elders and
which the meeting agrees and they are continued
in that station accordingly. And that
Isaac Pennell & Thomas M. Pennell be appointed
Elders, but the meeting not being fully
united the appointment was not made. The
Clerk is directed to furnish Abington preparative

Meeting of Ministers and Elders, with a suitable extract of this minute

The queries were all read and answered in writing from the preparative meetings from which a Summary was taken and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by Jacob H Hampton, James P Bunch, Joshua Crampton and Isaac Votaw who are appointed to attend as our representatives, and are directed to report to next meeting.

The committee appt. to see if each ~~family~~ of our families are furnished with a copy of the Holy Scriptures, report they are all furnished and that some friends are careful to read a portion each day as queried after

The Meeting then concluded

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held 9th Mo. 21st 1863

A number of copies of an address issued by London Yearly meeting to friends in North America was received, and a copy thereof read at this time Samuel Bunker and ___

David Sill are appointed to distribute them amongst our members and report to next meeting

Joshua Jeffers, Jeremiah Cox, Isaac Vickers, David Sill, Israel S Hampton & Israel Woodruff, are appointed to attend and have a general oversight of Friends, and endeavor to have all conducted in accordance with the practices of Friends, and report to 9th Mo. next,

James F Brooks & Isaac Vickers are appointed to examine the record of Births and deaths assist the recorder in making the proper entries and report to meet in 11th Month next

The meeting then concluded

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends
held 10th mo. 4th 1867

The friends appointed to distribute the address of London Yearly Meeting report the service has been attended to

The following extract was received from the Quarterly Meeting

Our esteemed friend Sarah D. Howard a Minister, accompanied by her husband Benjamin F. Hartland in the exercise of a Religious visit acceptably attended this Meeting and produced a Certificate of Unity from Haverhill Mo. Meeting, dated 7th month 15th 1861

The Meeting then concluded

Chester Monthly Meeting held 11th Month 28th 1863.

The committee appointed 9th Month to examine the record of births & deaths report they have attended to the Service

Our esteemed friend Jesse D. Williams a Minister accompanied by George Nicholson acceptably attended this meeting with proper credentials from Springfield Monthly Meeting dated 10th Mo. 21st 1863

Our esteemed friend [illegible] acceptably attended this meeting with proper Certificate from Mississinawa Monthly Meeting dated 10th Mo. 15th 1863

This meeting does [illegible]

Isaac Votaw, David Little, Thos. E. Strawbridge and Samuel Miles, are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting as our Representatives and to report to next meeting.

The meeting then concluded.

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held 12th Mo. 21st 1865.

The representatives report they all attended the 2d Meeting, and have produced our quota of the London Epistle a copy of which has been read at this time for our help and encouragement they are directed to procure our portion of the Yearly Meeting minutes and report to next Meeting.

A certificate was received for Ezabel M. Mendenhall from Sugar Plain M. Meeting dated 11th Mo. 22d 1865.

Chester preparative informs that Solomon M. Mendenhall requests for herself and jointly with her husband for their minor children

the preparative Meetings are directed to raise their respective proportions of £33. 10 for the Meeting House and produce it in 2nd mo.

Also to endeavour to raise by voluntary contributions £65 for the use of the 4 Meetings executive committee for the benefit of the ensuing

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held
1st Mo 25th 1866

The representatives have produced our quota of the Yearly Meetings Minutes they are directed to distribute them amongst our members

Woodbury preparative reports $117 dollars raised for the use of the Freedmens committee and Chester reports $164.45 for the same purpose

The friends appointed to visit Jacob Branson and Henry L Lewelling on account of their request report they have had an opportunity with them and they still expressed a desire to relinquish their rights of membership, with which the Meeting unites and their request is granted accordingly. The Clerk is directed to furnish each of them with an extract of this Minute Signed on behalf of the Meeting

The friends appointed to visit Caleb Mendenhall and Family report the service has not been attended to they are continued and directed to report to next Meeting

Joshua Jefferis laid before the Meeting a concern to visit in the love of the gospel Monthly and Quarterly Meetings and attend to such other religious Service as may be called for at his hands which after a time of weighty deliberation was fully united with and he left at liberty and encouraged to attend thereto as best wisdom may direct. Isaac Hall and David Lee are appointed to see that he is properly furnished for his proposed visit.

The Clerk is directed to furnish him with a suitable copy of this minute Signed on behalf of the meeting

The friends appointed to visit Rachel Hinchman and family on account of their request report they have not attended to the service they are continued to report to next meeting.

Chester preparative informs that Silas B. Cook, removed to the Vicinity of Goshen with Certificate, John Talbington and Isaac Wetherill are appointed to visit him on account thereof and report to next meeting &c.

The meeting then concluded

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends
held 9mo Month 22nd 1866.

Our beloved friend Joshua Jeffers now returns a copy of a minute obtained at last meeting to visit in the love of the gospel Miami and Center Pt Meetings &c, with an account that he attended to the service to the peace of his own mind.

The committee continued to visit Caleb Mendenhall and family on account of their request report they visited the family to good satisfaction, And the meeting after due deliberation unites in granting their request and they are received into membership accordingly.

The friends appointed to visit Silas B Cook on account of his request report they have had an opportunity with him to good satisfaction And the meeting after deliberation unites in receiving him into membership.

The preparatives report that the Money directed to be raised for G. M. Stock is in readiness the rep are directed to forward it to the Qr Meeting and report to next meeting.

A certificate was received for Martha S. Kendall from Salem Preparative Mt. Meeting dated 1st Mo 25th 1866 - Joshua Thompson and John Addington are appointed to visit said meeting & report to next Meeting.

The 1st & 2nd queries were answered in writing from the preparative from which a summary was taken and directed to be forwarded to the Mt. Meeting by Harriet Little, Mahlon Johnson, James Thatcher and Wilson Kendall, whom we appoint as representatives and they are directed to report to next meeting.

We now have the acceptable company of William S Johnson with proper Credentials from Plainfield Mt. Meeting dated 11th mo 1st 1865

The meeting was concluded

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held 3rd Month 22nd 1866

A certificate was received for Isaac Hodgin (an Elder) Martha his wife and their minor Children Ruth A Emma G & William T Hodgin from Topland Mon. dated 2nd Mo 13th 1866

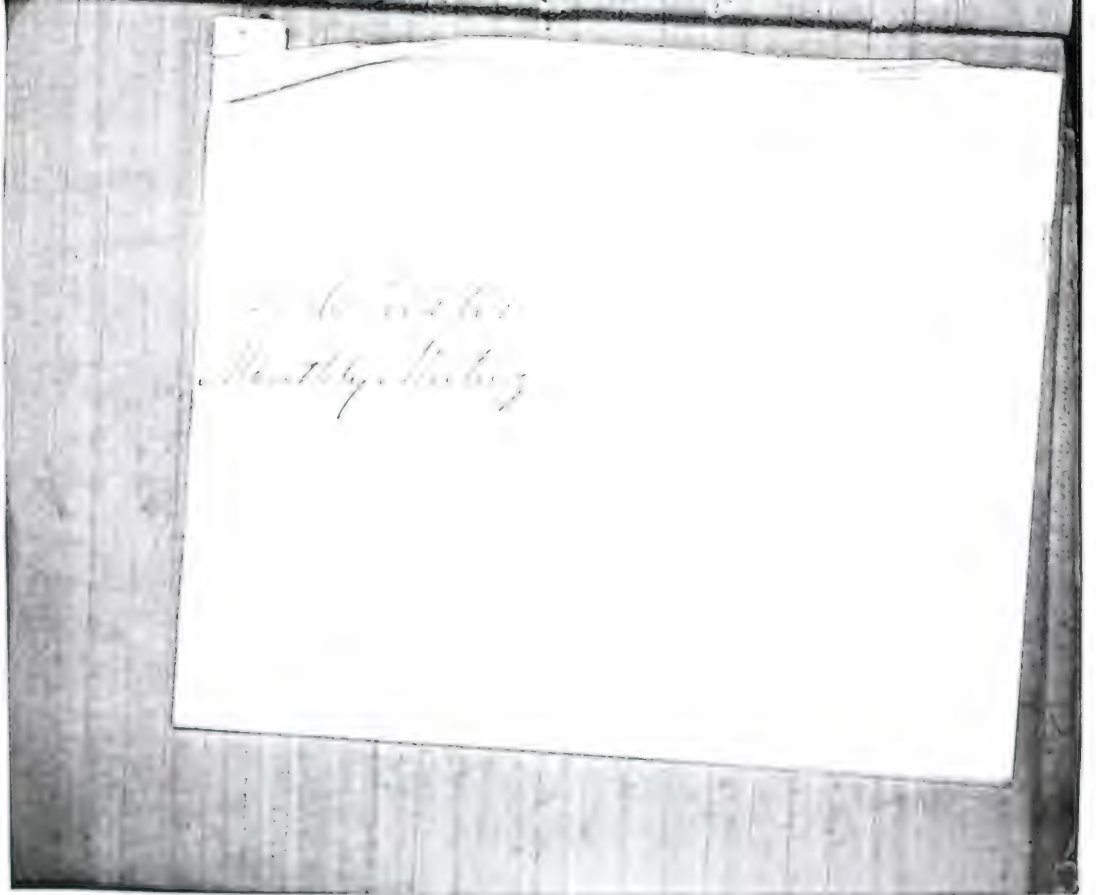
Samuel Miles and Joshua Jefferis are appt. to unite with a similar committee of womens Meeting in visiting them on the occasion & report to next Meeting

The committee appt. to visit Martha S Kendall on the reception of her certificate report they attended to the Service to good Satisfaction

The representatives report they all attended the 2d. Meeting except One

The Committee on Education now make a report which is Satisfactory to the Meeting they are continued to report in 3d Mo. next.

Chester Preparative informs that Richard French and Eliza his wife request for themselves and minor children Elizabeth Annie Maria & Levi C. to be joined in membership with friends Isaac Votaw Joshua Jefferis and John Adington are appointed to unite with a similar Committee of womens meeting in visiting them on account thereof and report to next Meeting



At a New Garden Quarterly Meeting of Friends held 2nd mo 24th 1866

Monthly Meetings apart on raising Money in aid of the Yearly Meetings Executive Committee on Freedmen as follows, viz.

From New Garden	$633.32
Cherry Grove	136.45
Mill River	77.18
Dover	278 15
Poplar Run	135.50
Chester	273.50
Total	1534.40

The subject is again referred to the attention of the several Monthly Meetings and Friends individually are recommended to make further liberal contributions for the relief of Freedmen and report what may be done to next meeting

It is the judgment of this meeting that inasmuch as Chester Monthly Meeting has recently been attached to this Quarterly Meeting, that the Ministers & Elders of said Monthly Meeting shall be attached to New Garden Preparative meeting of Ministers and Elders That Monthly Meeting is directed to forward to said Preparative meeting a list of the names of such of their members as now stand in those stations

Taken from the minutes of the meeting aforesaid

Cornelius J Woodard Clk

The Scripture School committee now make a satisfactory report Solomon Bond, Isaac Potter, David Little, James P Bunch & Israel Woodruff are appt to have the oversight of such schools the ensuing year and report in 3d Mo. next

John Adington, Joshua Bramston, James P Bunch & Thomas C Strawbridge are appt to consider the propriety of a change of Overseers and report to next Meeting

James Hacks, Samuel Bunker and Samuel Miles are appointed to propose to next Meeting the name of a friend for Clerk one for assistant and One for Messenger

The Meeting then concluded

Chester Mo. Meeting of Friends

held

The committee

Nathan Hodgin

reception of their

The joint

On account

have had a

to grant them

Meeting united

Membership

Samuel Brooks

with

Meeting

The committee

of Concurrence proposed that

and Lucas Vetter be

& Harriet Little

Hoodbury with

The committee appointed on the Subject of Clerks now propose that Robert Wardle of the aforesaid Clerk Prague Commissary for assistant and Abraham Johnson & Messenger who being Entered with are appointed accordingly.

Women friends inform they have treated with Sarah & Mary formerly Baxter and also with Jane Baxter and have come to a judgment to disown them with which this Meeting unites

The Meeting being brought under exercise in regard to some of our Members who are rendered by infirmities from attending our Meetings are now united in appointing Joshua Jeffers Joshua Evans Jr John Adlington James & Bunch & David Little to unite with a similar Committee of Women Meeting to visit them such for their help and encouragement and such others of our Members as they may open for & report in 6th Mo next

Chester Mo. Meeting of Friends held
1st Mo. 24th 1866

Our esteemed friend Joshua Jeffris laid before this meeting a concern that for some time rested on his mind to visit in the love of the gospel White River and Cherry Grove Monthly meetings, and the Meeting coming under the weight of the concern was united in liberating him to go forth in such service, under the guidance of the great head of the Church

Our esteemed friend Asher Addington expresses a desire to accompany our friend Joshua in his journey and to have with him such religious opportunities with which the Meeting unites

The Clerk is directed to furnish them with suitable copies of the above minute to forward on behalf of this Meeting

The 1st Mo. 3rd queries were read with answers from each of the Preparative Meetings

directed to be forwarded to the 2d Meeting to attend which as representatives appoint Israel Woodruff, Jonathan Elliott, Jacob S. Hampton, Solomon Bond & James S. Bunch who are to report their Care to next Meeting.

The committee appointed to inform Richard French and family of their acceptance into Membership report the Service has not been fully accomplished the Meeting appoints Joshua Jeffers, Solomon Bond & John Laing to attend to the Service and report to next Meeting.

The Propriety of discontinueing the holding of Meetings at Chester & Woodbourne on 1st day of Quarterly Meeting being brought before the Meeting and duly considered this and Womens Meeting were fully united in requesting the 2d Meeting to discontinue the holding of those meetings.

Our esteemed friends Elkanah Beanes a Minister of the Gospel acceptably attended the Meeting with a minute from Cherry Grove Mo. Meeting dated 3rd Mo 12 1866

The meeting then concluded

Chester Mo. Meeting of Friends
held 6th Mo. 21st 1761

The representatives report they were
allowed at the Bi Meeting

The Friends appointed to inform
Richard Pennock and family of their reception
into membership report attended to

The committee appt. on 4th month
last to visit the aged and infirm for their
help and encouragement report they attended
to the service to good satisfaction

By an extract received from the Quarterly Meeting it is directed that the meetings
at Chester & Wrightsborough be discontinued on
first days at the time of Quarterly Meetings

Enos & Baldwin and Martha his
wife request for themselves and their children
removal right of membership removed to White
Water Monthly meeting. Enos Hatton and
Jacob D Hampton are appt to unite with
Women friends in making the necessary enquiry and if no obstruction prepare a certificate for
them and forward it to next meeting

James Weeks, James P Bunch, Israel Woodruff, and David Little are appointed to see if each of our families is furnished with a copy of the Holy Scriptures and what number are in the daily practice of reading the same as queried after and report in the 8th Mo. next.

The meeting then concluded

Chester Mo Meeting of Friends held 7th Mo. 19th 1866

The Committee appt. to prepare a certificate for Enos P Baldwin and family produced one which was read approved & signed & directed to be forwarded

A Certificate was received for Catharine Bales from Poplar Run Mo Meeting dated 4th Mo. 19th 1866

James Weeks, James P Bunch, Isaac Eaton & Isaac Eshmun are appt to confer with a similar Committee of Women Friends and prepare to report at Meeting the names of Friends to constitute a Committee on Education

Eleanor R Bacon requests to be joined in membership with Friends which being granted

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